

## STATE of MINNESOTA

## Proclamation

WHEREAS: Natural disasters in the State of Minnesota have significant, physical,

emotional, and financial impacts on many of our citizens each year; and

WHEREAS: Tornadoes, hail, straight-line winds, lightning, floods, and heat waves

create imminent threats to life, infrastructure, and property in Minnesota;

and

WHEREAS: Statewide, Minnesota has suffered measurable damages in excess of

\$373 million from declared natural disasters that took place from 2000

through 2012; and

WHEREAS: These disastrous weather events took the lives of 21 people; and

WHEREAS: The quality of life for Minnesota citizens can be seriously impacted by

severe weather. It is essential that we increase awareness of weather dangers and the actions that must be taken in order to prepare for and

survive them.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of April 15 – 19, 2013 as:

## SEVERE WEATHER AWARENESS WEEK

in the State of Minnesota.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this 27<sup>th</sup> day of March.

GOVERNOR

SECRETARY OF STATE

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